

Board Meeting Summary

The GoTriangle Board of Trustees met Wednesday, Nov. 15, to consider [an agenda](#) that included the following highlights. The board votes are summarized below. The meeting minutes will be available at gotriangle.org/publications.

FY2024 Second Quarter Wake, Durham and Orange County Transit Plan amendments and budget ordinance amendments

The board approved FY2024 second quarter Wake, Durham and Orange County Transit Plan amendments and budget ordinance amendments as follows:

Six Wake Transit Plan amendments (five major and one minor amendment)

1. **City of Raleigh – Contract Safety & Security Services.** The City of Raleigh requested funding to provide additional safety and security personnel at GoRaleigh transfer stations. Personnel also would be available to assist with non-destination riders on buses and non-transit-related use of bus shelters and amenities.
2. **City of Raleigh – One full-time Director of Safety & Security.** The City of Raleigh requested funding to provide oversight of the GoRaleigh transit services.
3. **Wake County – Participation in NC Department of Transportation/Regional Transit Alliance Freeway and Street-based Transit Study.** Wake County and GoTriangle requested funding to participate in the NCDOT/RTA Freeway and Street-based Transit Study, known as the FAST 2 study.
4. **Town of Cary – New Downtown Cary Multimodal Transit Facility.** The Town of Cary currently has a project budget of \$17,508,861 for feasibility study, design and land acquisition. The town received appraisals for 21 parcels that make up the project area for the Downtown Multimodal Center. The approved appraisal amount with 30% contingency totals \$27,390,480. In addition to the purchase of the property, the Uniform Act requires relocation assistance and moving expense reimbursement. The cost depends on whether it is a residential or commercial property. This is currently estimated at \$3,280,000 for a total estimate of \$30,670,480 for land acquisition, although this may increase if condemnation is filed on any of the properties. The town is also increasing the estimate for master planning and design work to \$6,329,520. This increase brings the total project estimate to \$37,508,861. The Town of Cary is contributing \$10 million to the project and requesting a Wake Transit amendment of \$10 million to cover the additional budget needs.
5. **GoTriangle – Raleigh Union Station Bus Facility.** GoTriangle requested advance funding to support Phase II construction of the Raleigh Union Station Bus Facility, known as RUS Bus, which is scheduled to begin in fall 2023. Phase II construction of the private overbuild, known as Union West, will occur later when GoTriangle's private development partner obtains financing. Proceeding with the publicly funded component of the project is critical due to the sunset date of the project's federal Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) grant funds in September 2025. There are elements of the private overbuild to the construction of the transit project that will need to start at the same time as the transit facility construction begins. Funds will be reimbursed upon the developer's receipt of financing and commencement of the overbuild.
6. **Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization – Extension of Planning Horizon for Wake Transit Vision Plan & Community Funding Area Program Management Plan Update.** The North Carolina Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, known as CAMPO, initially requested

an increase in funds in FY2024 but has since shifted the additional \$130,000 requested to be programmed in FY2025. The increase in funds would be allocated to the total future year programmed amount from \$300,000 to \$430,000. CAMPO has adjusted the FY2024 amendment request to update the adopted project scope with no financial impact in the current fiscal year. This amendment request also includes incorporating the scope and costs of updating the Community Funding Area Program Management Plan.

The funded amendments increase the FY2024 Wake Transit Work Plan by \$21,471,360.

Two Durham Transit Plan amendments

1. **Durham County – FAST 2 Study.** Durham County requested funds as project lead on behalf of the county, City of Durham and GoTriangle to support the NC Department of Transportation Freeway, Arterial, Street & Tactical Transit Priority Infrastructure Study. This FAST 2 Study will be a coordinated effort among regional partners and is the follow-up initiative to the original FAST Study conducted in 2020-2021. One of the primary objectives of this study is to make our freeways and regional boulevards “transit ready.”
2. **GoTriangle – Mobile Ticketing Technology.** GoTriangle requested funds for hardware to enable Open Payment technology for fare collection. Funds also will be used to upgrade the hardware to incorporate technology advancements that have occurred over the past few years while fares have been suspended.

The funded amendments increase the FY2024 Durham Transit Work Plan by \$139,550.

Two Orange Transit Plan amendments

1. **GoTriangle – Mobile Ticketing Technology.** GoTriangle requested funds for hardware to enable Open Payment technology for fare collection. Funds will also be used to upgrade the hardware to incorporate technology advancements that have occurred over the past few years while fares have been suspended.
2. **Orange County – FAST 2 Study.** Orange County requested a reallocation of funds as project lead on behalf of the county, Chapel Hill Transit and GoTriangle to support the NCDOT Freeway, Arterial, Street & Tactical Transit Priority Infrastructure Study, known as the FAST 2 Study.

The adopted amendments will have zero financial impact due to the reallocation of previously adopted funds to the Orange County Transit Plan.

Interlocal Agreement for Regional On-board Origin and Destination Survey

The board authorized GoTriangle President/CEO Charles Lattuca to execute an Interlocal agreement with the City of Raleigh to fund the Regional On-Board Origin and Destination Survey. In 2019, governing boards of the Wake, Durham and Orange Transit Plans authorized and approved funding in 2020 for a regional on-board origin-destination study of riders to be used for assessing services and planning future improvements. The COVID-19 pandemic put the project on hold until ridership returned to pre-pandemic levels. The survey will include all public fixed-route transit providers in the region.